

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: Erning Xia et al.	)	
	)	Examiner: E. B. Elhilo
Serial No.: 09/782,318	)	
	)	Group No.: 1751
Filed: February 13, 2001	)	
	)	Docket No: P01849
Title: HIGH OSMOLYTE CLEANING AND	)	
DISINFECTION METHOD AND	)	
SOLUTION FOR CONTACT LENSES	)	

**Response to Office Action Final Rejection mailed August 18, 2003**

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**LETTER**

Honorable Sir:

In response to the Office Action Final Rejection mailed August 18, 2003 regarding the above-identified application, enclosed find a Petition requesting an extension of time for response within the third month. Applicants likewise respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of pending claims 1-5 and 7-19 based on the following remarks.